

St Mary's News: Sunday 8 March 2020

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: St. Marys Hadlow

Today

2nd Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Psalm 121

John 3. 1-17



The Collect for the 2nd Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Next week

3rd Sunday of Lent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Romans 5. 1-11

John 4. 5-42



Prayers for the Week

We pray for all who live in
Tonbridge Road and Ashes Lane.

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for:

Pat Booker (9th)

George Warn (9th)

Craig Barber (10th)

Trevor Widdicombe (11th)

Amy Jane Lax (11th)

If you would like a loved one remembered on the anniversary of their death, please complete a blue form and the name will be added to the Book of Remembrance.

Welcome to St Mary's!

Visitors are warmly welcomed; please join us for refreshments in the Upper Room after today's 10am service.



This week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Friends Together

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer
5.30pm Yoga

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30 Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
1pm Lent Course
(12.30 with lunch)

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

8am Lent Course

St Mary's Upper Rooms are available to hire at very reasonable cost. Please contact the Vicarage Office at:
office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

For Children and Young People

Activity Bags for younger children are in baskets at the back of church. Books, crayons etc are in the children's corner.



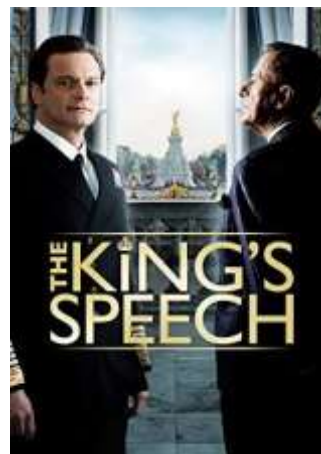
Sunday Groups

Held in the Upper Room during the 10am service in term-time:

JAM (Jesus and Me) – up to 11 yrs
Christ in Action – 11 years +
All visitors' children are welcome

Lent Course

This year's Lent Course is based around the film "The King's Speech". The course runs for six weeks. You have a choice



of days: Thursdays at 1pm (with light lunch at 12.30), and Saturday mornings at 8am with a bacon roll. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. The course book costs £5; copies available from Rev. Nicky.

St Mary's Lent Challenge

New Maternity Unit and School
Dormitories in Kibakwe.

There are now four girls' dormitories at the Secondary School in Kibakwe. The solar powered lighting system we have provided so far now needs further expansion with at least one more panel and expanded electrical support to provide lighting for the three new dormitories.

The hospital now has a new Maternity Unit but would greatly benefit from more water filters. Will you help give adequate lighting to the children's study areas and their sleeping quarters, plus help keep infant mortality to an absolute minimum with clean water available all the time. £25 from you raised by giving something up for Lent will mean a light can be seen in the darkness and new life can thrive.

'Focus on Faith'

Ladies' Bible Day

Wednesday 18 March, 9.15am-

2.15pm at Ryarsh Village Hall

About 6 of us usually go to these days along with about 100 others. Jean Kerr will be speaking on the subject 'I Can See Clearly'.

Good teaching, good singing, good soup and sandwich lunch. Cost £10. Booking essential: contact Julia Miles.

Coronavirus

At St. Mary's we are following the guidance we have been given from the Diocese about the Coronavirus. This is as follows:

1. All parishioners with coughs and sneezes to refrain from handshaking during The Peace, and to receive Communion in one kind (wafer) only.
2. The common cup will continue to be used until otherwise advised.
3. Intinction (dipping the bread into wine) is not to be done as it represents an infection transmission route, as well as a risk to those with certain allergies.

During The Peace please be mindful of those who wish to sit quietly, or not shake hands with those around them.

Messy Church Request

We are in need of some long cardboard tubes for our Messy Church session on the 29th March. We have some but could do with a few more. Ideally they would be the size found in the middle of wrapping paper. If anybody has any, could they be brought to church and placed in the Occasional Vestry.

Many thanks.

Nicky

Messy Church

Sunday 29 March, 3.30pm-5.30pm



All Age craft activities to help us explore Holy Week and Easter. Followed by informal worship and tea. FREE. All welcome, but no unaccompanied children please.

APCM and the Electoral Roll

The Church Electoral Roll (ER) is having its annual revision until 23 March. If you are already on the ER you do not need to do anything. If you are not on the ER and St Mary's has been your regular place of worship for at least six months, you are invited to join the Roll. Youngsters who will be aged 16 or over by the 25 April are eligible too. Being on the ER does not commit you to anything, but demonstrates your membership of St Mary's and entitles you to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and to stand for office if you wish. The simple form you would need to sign is on the table at the back. The APCM will be held on Sunday 26 April. Please talk to a church warden or Martin Massy to find out more.

Who's who at St Mary's?

Vicar

The Reverend Paul White
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The Reverend Nicky Harvey
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Church Wardens

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Treasurer

Martin Massy (01732 851519)

Music Director

Antony le Fleming (01622 817842)
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Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (01732 850238/851519)
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Office Hours

Tuesday 9.30am – 3pm
Thursday 8.30am – 2pm

PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information

Rev Paul White; Rev Nicky Harvey; Barbara Smith & Michael Payne; Martin Massy; Francis Griffiths, Val Newell & Kelly Parsons (Deanery Synod reps.); Kirsty Finch; Jack Good; Jenny Hopkins; Julia Miles; Katerina Nixon; Rachel Packham; Lisa Porritt; Mark Totty & other members.

PCC Secretary: Martin Massy

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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.